IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (**Currently Amended**) A stabilizer for vehicles, comprising:

a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle;

arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from ~~both side~~ opposite end portions of the torsion portion;

straight portions provided ~~in a vicinity of both side~~ proximate to the opposite end portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along ~~with~~ an axial direction thereof;

~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions,

the ~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes; and

a stopper provided ~~at~~ to one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing one of the straight portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in an axial direction with respect to one of the bushes, which is provided to one of the straight portions ~~bush~~.

2. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 1, wherein the ~~stoppers are respectively~~ stopper is provided ~~at both~~ to opposite sides of one of the bushes.

3. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

4. (**Withdrawn**) A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 3, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

5. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked ~~to be fixed~~ around one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

6. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to ~~be fixed around~~ one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

7. (**Withdrawn**) A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 2, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clamper to be fixed around the straight portion.

8. (**Withdrawn**) A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 1, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of one of the bushes.

9. (**Withdrawn**) A stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 8, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in the bush and the stopper is held by the inner walls.

10. (**Currently Amended**) A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles, ~~comprising:~~ the stabilizer including a torsion portion extending in a width direction of a vehicle; arm portions extending in a forward or backward direction from ~~both side~~ opposite end portions of the torsion portion; straight portions provided ~~in a vicinity of both side~~ proximate to opposite end portions of the torsion portion, the straight portions extending along ~~with~~ an axial direction thereof; ~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions,

the ~~leading~~ end portions of the arm portions being mounted to the vehicle, and the straight portions being mounted to the vehicle via bushes**[[;]]** the method comprising the steps of:

fixing a stopper ~~at~~ to one of the straight portions, the stopper preventing one of the straight ~~portion~~ portions from moving more than a predetermined distance in an axial direction with respect to one of the bushes which is provided to one fo the straight portions ~~the bush~~;

mounting one of the straight portions ~~portion~~, which is ~~in the vicinity of~~ proximate to the stopper, to the vehicle via one of the bushes ~~a bush~~; and

mounting another of the ~~other~~ straight ~~portion~~ portions to the vehicle via another of the bushes ~~bush~~.

11. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is ~~stoppers are respectively~~ provided ~~at both~~ to opposite sides of one of the bushes.

12. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a ring-shaped portion.

13. (**Withdrawn**) A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 12, wherein a notch allowing the stopper to pass through the leading end portion of the arm portion is formed in the inside of the ring-shaped portion.

14. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a C-shaped portion and is caulked ~~to be fixed~~ around one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

15. (**Currently Amended**) ~~A~~ The method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper has a U-shaped portion and is fit to ~~be fixed around~~ one of the straight portions ~~portion~~.

16. (**Withdrawn**) A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 11, wherein the stopper is made of rubber and is fastened by a clamper to be fixed around the straight portion.

17. (**Withdrawn**) A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 10, wherein the stopper is provided in the inside of one of the bushes.

18. (**Withdrawn**) A method for mounting a stabilizer for vehicles according to claim 17, wherein a hollow portion having inner walls at both side ends thereof is formed in the bush and the stopper is held by the inner walls.